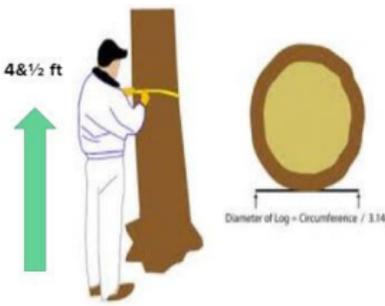




# WATERING YOUR TREES

## A WATERING ROUTINE FOR YOUR TREES GIVES THEM THE BEST CHANCE TO THRIVE!



Measuring DBH - Diameter at Breast Height



Tree watering bag

### WHY IS WATERING IMPORTANT?

Newly planted trees and shrubs need regular and consistent watering until root systems establish. Plan to water your new tree for 3 years.

### HOW MUCH WATERING SHOULD YOU BE DOING?

New trees need 10.5 gallons of water per inch of trunk diameter, 1-2 times weekly. Water is best applied in mornings or evenings. Take care to apply water to the tree roots and not other tree parts like the bark or foliage. Be sure not to overwater your tree. A decent rain will suffice for your weekly watering.

### WHAT ABOUT DROUGHT?

Pay close attention to trees in drought conditions and water weekly, even for mature trees. Modern products like watering bags and soaker hoses can assist with this.

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## MULCHING IS PART OF A HEALTHY WATERING ROUTINE!

Mulching around planted trees and shrubs with a 3-inch layer of organic mulch (wood chips, pine needles, etc.) will help to decrease water evaporation from the soil and insulate/buffer the soil from extreme winter and summer conditions. Keep mulch from touching the trunk of the tree.

